

# National News

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## Rare Bach manuscript identified in Pennsylvania

A three-leaf manuscript containing an organ prelude and fugue in G minor by the German composer Dietrich Buxtehude, which belongs to the Carnegie Library in Oakland, Pennsylvania, has now been authenticated as one of the earliest examples of the handwriting of Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). The "Carnegie Manuscript" came into the possession of the library in 1895, but its importance has only recently been vindicated by Hans-Joachim Schulze, director of the Bach Archive in Leipzig, Germany.

The manuscript shows that Bach knew the music of Buxtehude, a renowned composer and organist who was to have a major influence on Bach's compositional style, some 10 years earlier than scholars had thought. The notation in Bach's hand on page 3 matches Bach's handwriting from around 1705.

The discovery, reported in *The Pittsburgh Press* Jan. 8, follows last year's dramatic find of the autograph score of Mozart's C minor Fantasy K. 475 in another Pennsylvania library.

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## Is Bush's 'truth' from satanist Aquino?

In an article written for the U.S. Army publication *Military Review*, retired Col. Michael Aquino calls for the transformation of Psychological Warfare Operations (PSYOP) into MindWar, a "deliberate, aggressive convincing of all participants in a war that we will win that war." Truth becomes what the United States intends as truth through the use of terror, fear, and military operations.

"Unlike PSYOP, MindWar has nothing to do with deception or even with 'selected'—and therefore misleading—truth," he writes. "Rather it states a whole truth that, if it does not exist, will be forced into existence by the will of the United States. The examples of Kennedy's ultimatum to Khrushchov during

the Cuban Missile Crisis and Hitler's stance at Munich may be cited. A MindWar message does not have to fit conditions of abstract credibility as do PSYOP themes; its source makes it credible."

Aquino writes that MindWar must target Americans "if it is to be effective. It must not only weaken the Enemy; it must strengthen the United States by denying enemy propaganda access to our people, and by explaining and emphasizing to our people the rationale for our national interest in a specific war."

Aquino, high priest of the satanic Temple of Set, spent over 20 years in the U.S. Army, which officially supported his right to be a satanist while serving as an officer, despite police investigations into his possible involvement in several cases of alleged child molesting. There are believed to be as many as 10,000 self-avowed satanists, witches, and occultists in the U.S. military.

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## Human rights meet to consider LaRouche case

The Commission to Investigate Human Rights Violations has announced plans to hold a conference in Arlington, Virginia on March 15-16, to discuss pressing issues of human rights internationally, including the case of political prisoner Lyndon H. LaRouche, known as the American "Dreyfus Affair." LaRouche's attorney Odin Anderson will present the case for a new trial for LaRouche, who is now in the third year of incarceration in a 15-year sentence.

Also on the agenda will be a discussion of violations of U.S. constitutional law and international law in the Persian Gulf war and in the implementation of the notorious Thornburgh Doctrine, which asserts an American "right" to allow law enforcement agencies to conduct kidnappings of foreign officials outside existing law.

Questions of human rights violations in the United States, including the harassment of black elected officials by the Justice Department, the growing use of the death penalty, and the inhumane conditions of the American prison system will also be discussed in this context.

A featured panel will discuss "Genocide

against Ideas," and will focus on the contributions to science, economics, philosophy, and culture by Lyndon LaRouche and his associates. LaRouche's alternatives to the genocidal policies now being carried out by the Bush administration will be highlighted.

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## Colonel warns of high casualties in Iraq war

The multinational coalition forces are faced with casualties in the Persian Gulf ground war as high as those in the battles of the Somme and Iwo Jima, warned Col. Harry Summers, of the U.S. Army War College, according to the Feb. 17 London *Sunday Telegraph*. "Our war aims are not achievable by bombing," Summers stated.

"What about the battle of the Somme in the First World War?" asked Summers. "After days of artillery bombardment of the German lines there were 50,000 British casualties on the first day of ground action. What about the 50-day bombardment of Iwo Jima in the Second World War? After all that, the U.S. Marines sustained 25,000 casualties against only 23,000 Japanese defenders."

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## Safire says 'Cold War II' has begun

Columnist William Safire declared that the U.S.-Soviet Cold War has returned, in a column entitled "Cold War II Has Begun," in the Feb. 14 *New York Times*.

Safire wrote that George Bush is "two years out of synch" with events, and is dealing with a 1989 Gorbachov, while the Soviets steal the march on events in 1991.

Citing the crackdown in the Baltics, the speeches of Soviet Prime Minister Valentin Pavlov, and Soviet maneuvers designed to allow them to pick up the pieces in the Middle East when the U.S. ends the war discredited, Safire moans that the Baker-Bessmertnykh meeting was "a 'surrender on the seventh-floor' a mini-Yalta [which] sealed the willingness of the U.S. to fight the war

on Soviet settlement terms, while guaranteeing Moscow an unearned equal role in postwar conferences."

## Archaeology professor corrects Cheney

In a National Public Radio (NPR) radio interview Feb. 14, an archaeology professor who is an expert on Mesopotamia, exposed the lies of U.S. Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney on the ancient ziggurat (pyramid) at Ur. He reported that the aircraft allegedly placed at the site of the pyramid by Saddam Hussein to prevent the U.S. from bombing them, were actually located on an airbase which has been there for 30 years, built by the British Royal Air Force.

As to Cheney's claim that the ziggurat had been continually occupied for thousands of years, he noted that the site had been abandoned by humans since before the birth of Christ.

Cheney's description of the ziggurat, an archaeological treasure dating from about 2200 B.C., as a model for the Egyptian pyramids of the First Kingdom, presents a slight problem, he said, since the Egyptian pyramids were constructed 4,500 years before the Mesopotamian ziggurat.

The professor said that had any first-year archaeological student turned in a paper containing this nonsense, it would have been passed around the department for laughs.

## Oral arguments heard in Ascher appeal

A three-judge panel of the Virginia Court of Appeals heard oral arguments in the appeal of Rochelle Ascher on Feb. 14. Ascher was the first associate of Lyndon LaRouche convicted on so-called "securities fraud" charges in Virginia.

Defense attorney John Flannery argued the reasons for reversing the conviction of Ascher: that she didn't have a fair trial because the jury was biased by massive pre-trial negative publicity, much of which was

generated by the Commonwealth of Virginia; that the jury was given the wrong instructions and therefore was unable to evaluate the evidence properly; and that the jury heard evidence they shouldn't have heard.

Flannery argued that the prosecution conducted a public campaign against Lyndon LaRouche and anyone associated with him. The government put out press releases, Attorney General Mary Sue Terry made statements against the defendant, and then the Commonwealth took advantage of the prejudice they created. The fact that the jury pool was infected was acknowledged by the trial judge when he ordered a change of venue from Loudoun County, where LaRouche lives, after the jury was picked, Flannery said.

Flannery argued that the jury was also not allowed to consider whether particular promissory notes were securities, because jurors were instructed that any note is a security. Evidence was presented that these notes were political and were not securities, he said, but because of the instruction, the jury was not able to consider that evidence.

In response to questioning by Judge Coleman, prosecutor John Russell admitted that not all notes were securities, but claimed that loans made to political candidates were securities.

## Jim Bakker wins right to be resentenced

PTL televangelist Jim Bakker's 45-year prison sentence was thrown out by a three-judge panel of the Fourth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia on Feb. 12. The court ruled that Bakker was victimized by the sentencing judge's religious prejudice. Bakker will be resentenced by a different judge.

The court did not overturn Bakker's 1989 conviction on 24 counts of wire fraud, mail fraud, and conspiracy. However, Bakker's lawyer, Harvard University Professor Alan Dershowitz, said the ruling could open a challenge to Bakker's entire trial. "If this is a judge who had a religious bias during sentencing, wouldn't this be a judge who had a religious bias during the trial?" Dershowitz asked.

## Briefly

● **THE ASSOCIATED** Conservatives of Texas, a group of Republicans, have called for a cease-fire in the war against Iraq. They are not sure they can trust the new world order, believe that Bush went to war to avoid the domestic crisis, and that the conduct of the war is not consistent with Bush's commitment to the right to life.

● **CLAYTON YEUTTER**, the secretary of agriculture, responded personally to two letters attacking his GATT policy published in the Nebraska press by Food for Peace activist Don Eret. Yeutter's comments in a letter dated Jan. 28, contradict statistics published by the USDA.

● **'EVERYTHING** Bush is doing now is a Kissinger policy. These guys are committed to a one world, actually a fascist one world order, under Anglo-American domination. That's been the consistent threat," Lyndon LaRouche warned in the *Boston Daily Free Press* Feb. 6. The article is based on a telephone interview conducted by Matthew J. Newmann.

● **ADVERTISERS** are tapping into the growing hatred of George Bush. The Feb. 10 *Washington Post* carried a full-page coupon ad entitled "A President's Day Offer—free broccoli." It offered buyers of Cheez Whiz to a free bunch of broccoli and featured a smiling George Washington pouring cheese onto a plate of broccoli.

● **WAR ORPHANS**, the children of more than 16,000 single parents and 1,200 couples who have both been deployed to the Gulf, have frequently been left with makeshift care, or no care at all.

● **MERLE HANSEN**, who heads the North American Farm Alliance, headquartered in Iowa, whose slogan is "farms not arms," has canceled the Rural Strategy Summit's spring mobilization to bring attention to the farm crisis because of the Persian Gulf war.